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TITLE OF INVENTION: ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICE INCLUDING AUDIO CHANNELING

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DETAILED ACTION

This action is in response to the Pre-Brief Conference Request received on 29 July 2008 in which claims 1-8 and 11-23 are pending.

Reasons for Allowance

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

The instant application is deemed to be directed to a nonobvious improvement over Holmberg (U.S. Patent No. 6,631,191), in view of Fuhrmann (U.S. Patent No. 6,978,123), in view of the Prior Art of Holmberg, and in further view of Schmidt (U.S. Patent No. 6,360,110).

With respect to independent claims 1, 13, and 19, the nonobvious improvement comprises both a high and low audio speaker in which an audio channel/passage is associated with the low audio speaker in a manner that would allow the exterior surface of the housing portion to be free of audio channeling, as substantially described and connected with the functional language recited in the claims.

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Conclusion

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September 29, 2008

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